

# HOLLAND HAS APPLIED THE BASTINIDO

Dutch Cruiser Gives Venezuela a Reminder by Capturing a Coast Guard Ship  
—Is Result of President Castro's Actions.

WILLEMSTADT (Curacao), Dec. 15.—The Dutch cruiser Gelderland came into this port yesterday morning towing the Venezuelan coast guard ship Alix with the Dutch flag flying and a Dutch crew on board. The Gelderland captured the Alix off Puerto Cabello Saturday. At that time the Alix was lying close inshore, and notwithstanding the threat which the Venezuelan government had made to fire upon any of the Dutch warships committing a hostile act, the Gelderland steamed at full speed toward the moored ship, and sent an officer and guard in a launch to seize her. This they did without resistance and no shots came from the forts on land.

The crew of the Alix was put ashore and the Dutch officers and marines remained on board, the Gelderland finally taking the Alix in tow and steaming away with her prize.

The seizure of the Alix was in accordance with the plans of the Holland government when instructions were issued to the three Dutch warships now in these waters to make a demonstration off the coast of Venezuela and to capture any Venezuelan ships of war or guard vessel that they might find. The arrival of the Gelderland at Willemstad this morning was greeted with unbounded enthusiasm by those who noticed the cruiser approach, and soon the entire population were down to the water's edge to welcome the return of the Gelderland, towing the first of the enemy's ships, as though from a great conquest.

Naturally the people of Curacao, who have been long clamoring for activity on the part of the Dutch government, are greatly rejoiced over this evidence that Holland has at last begun active measures against Venezuela, but the governor of Curacao discussed the incident as follows:

"The capture by our warships of coast guard and war vessels is not to be considered an unfriendly act against the Venezuelans. It is merely a reprisal against Castro's government, which tends to give satisfaction for his unfriendly acts toward Holland."

The seizure of these vessels will make it impossible for the Venezuelan government to carry troops or ammunition to and from the various ports.

A communication to this effect has been forwarded by the Dutch government to the German minister at Caracas.

It is learned from the officers of the Gelderland that the battleship Jacob Van Heemskerck and the cruiser Friesland are now off La Guaira and that further captures may be expected at any time.

These two vessels left here on Friday, cleared for action, and it was believed at that time that the intention was to make a forcible demonstration at La Guaira. The opinion is held here that the Venezuelan government, in the absence of President Castro, will not go so far as to fire upon the Dutch warships, which, in view of the fact that Venezuela is practically without a navy, hold the Venezuelan ports at their mercy.

The naval force of Venezuela consists of ten vessels. Of these three, the Bolivar, Miranda and Maragrita, are gunboats. The others, with the exception of the Restaurador, which was formerly the steam yacht Atlanta, are hardly worthy of mention. They are nothing more than armed tugs. There is a twelve pound gun on the Restaurador, but aside from this there is no gun in the fleet bigger than a six pounder. The Venezuelan forts, however, mount some modern six-inch Krupp guns.

## THE METAL MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Lead, weak, 4.20 @ 4.25; copper, weak, 14.25 @ 14.37½; silver, 48 3-4.

# MRS. MARTIN GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY

(Associated Press.)

OAKLAND, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Isabella J. Martin, charged with conspiracy in dynamiting the residence of Judge F. B. Ogden, March 19, 1907, was found guilty today by a jury which was out less than ten minutes. The case has been on trial here several months and has been replete with sensational incidents. Judge Wells fixed the time of sentence as next Saturday morning. The maximum penalty is life imprisonment.

The motive for the crime was revenge upon Judge Ogden for an adverse decision in a suit to recover money from an insurance company for houses she is said to have fired herself. The actual dynamiting of the Ogden home was committed by "Baby John" Martin, Mrs. Martin's ward, whom she claimed was the son of Princess Chimay. "Baby John" confessed on the stand that Mrs. Martin compelled him to blow up the jurist's house. The examination of the 17-year-old youth developed the fact that Mrs. Martin planned dynamiting several other persons against whom she bore malice.

# INDIAN OTURUN ITALIAN

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—As on the memorable occasion of his first Olympiad in London, Dorando Pietri collapsed with sight of the goal tonight and Tom Longboat, the Indian runner who had been led by a yard or more nearly all the way, won the Marathon race at Madison Square Garden.

The race was hard fought from start to finish and kept the thousands of spectators in wild excitement. At twenty-five miles Dorando was leading by two yards. In the twenty-sixth mile Dorando was leading but visibly the weaker of the two. The chances of Longboat appeared to improve in the second and third laps, and in the fourth lap the crowd was shouting itself hoarse. Then suddenly Dorando staggered and dropped, and Longboat finished alone. His time for the distance of twenty-six miles and 385 yards was 2:45:05 2-5.

## KING EDWARD RECOVERS.

BRIGHTON (England), Dec. 15.—King Edward, who has been sojourning here for a few days, will return to London tomorrow. He has entirely recovered his health, apparently.

# Night Riders are Victims of Persecution

(Associated Press.)

UNION CITY (Tenn.), Dec. 15.—Clad in rough homespun and all bearing long barreled rifles and big pistols, denizens of the Reelfoot district assembled here today for the opening scene of the night rider trials for the murder of Captain Quentin Rankin.

They believe that they are being persecuted. "Old Tom Johnson, the state says, was the first leader of the band, but who was deposed because his immense stature and mutilated hand made him easy to identify, said:

"These rich men who don't have to make no livin' tell us that we must not fish in the lake any moah, 'cause they own the lake an' the fish God put theah for us. It jes' naturally ain't right, stranger, it ain't no justice."

# SECOND BANQUET VICTIM

(By Associated Press.)

VALLEJO, Dec. 15.—Mrs. August Rose, wife of Bandsman Rose of Mare Island, died this afternoon of ptomaine poisoning as a result of partaking of food served at the luncheon given after the launching of the collier Prometheus on December 5. She lunched to die, James Reynolds

# THE NEW YORK WORLD DEFIES MR. ROOSEVELT

# MERELY HAD BAD TOOTH

CLEVELAND (Ohio), Dec. 15.—John D. Rockefeller's tooth ached and he came here from New York to get it fixed.

This announcement, made tonight, explains the mystery surrounding Rockefeller's unexpected visit to his old home.

Stories varying from the selection of a minister to succeed Rev. Dr. C. A. Eaton at the Euclid avenue Baptist church, which Rockefeller attends when here, to the erection of a sixteen-story church and the gift of \$50,000,000 for oriental universities, were built around the news of his visit.

Rockefeller disposed of all the rumors by telling of the troublesome tooth.

## JAPANESE LINE TO CHILE.

TOKYO, Dec. 15.—At a dinner given today to the new Japanese minister to Chile, it was announced that the Toyo Kisen Steamship company will start a new line of steamers between Japan and South America commencing January 1, with three steamers on a regular schedule.

Reiterates Demand that Congress Investigate the Panama Deal and Throws the Glove into the Face of President Roosevelt

(Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The New York World in the course of its answer to President Roosevelt's reference to that paper in a special message to congress today, says:

"Mr. Roosevelt is mistaken. He can not muzzle the world. While no amount of billingsgate on his part can alter our determination to treat him with judicial impartiality and scrupulous fairness we repeat what we've already said, that the congress of the United States should make a thorough investigation of the whole Panama transaction, that the full truth may be known to the American people. The World appreciates the importance and significance of Roosevelt's statement when he declared to congress that the proprietor of the World should be prosecuted for libel by the government authorities, and that the attorney general has under consideration the form under which proceedings against Mr. Pulitzer shall be brought. This is the first time a president ever asserted the doctrine of lese majesty or proposed, in the absence of specific legislation, criminal prosecution by the government of citizens who criticized the conduct of the government or the conduct of individuals who may have dealings with the government. Neither the king of Great Britain or the German emperor would venture to arrogate such power to himself. John Adams' attempt to enforce the seditious law destroyed the Federalist party of America. Yet Roosevelt, in the absence of law, officially proposes to use all the power of the greatest government on earth to cripple the freedom of the press on the pretext that the government itself has been libelled—and he is the government."

In conclusion, the paper says: "If the World has libelled anybody we hope it will be punished, but we don't intend to be intimidated by Roosevelt's threats or Roosevelt's denunciation, or by Roosevelt's power."

"No other living man has ever so grossly libelled the United States as does this president, who besmirches congress, bulldozes the judges, assails the integrity of the courts, slanders private citizens, and who has shown himself the most reckless, unscrupulous demagogue whom the American people have ever trusted with great power and authority."

"We say this not in anger, but in sincere sorrow. The World has immeasurably more respect for the office of the president of the United States than Theodore Roosevelt has ever shown during the years which he has maintained a reign of terror and vilified the honor and honesty both of public officials and private citizens who opposed his policies, or thwarted him in his purpose."

"So far as the World is concerned, its proprietor may go to jail if Roosevelt succeeds, as he threatens, but even in jail the World won't cease to be a fearless champion of free speech, free press and a free people."

# ELECTION FIGURES ARE FOOTED UP

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The total popular vote for the presidential candidates in the last national election was made public today. The total shows the following votes cast: Taft, 7,637,676; Bryan, 6,393,182; Debs, 447,651; Chafin (Prohibitionist), 241,252; Hagen (Independence), 83,186; Watson (Populist), 33,871; Gilhaus (Socialist Labor), 15,421, a total for all candidates of 14,852,239.

The grand total exceeds by 1,341,531 the total number of votes cast at the presidential election of 1904. The biggest difference in the party vote is shown in the increase for Bryan of 1,315,211 over the total cast in 1904 for Alton Parker, the Democratic candidate. Taft received 14,190 votes more than were polled for Roosevelt in 1904. Debs ran 45,368 ahead of his predecessor on the Socialist ticket. The other parties showed decided loss over the number of votes received in 1904 with the exception of the Independence party, which did not figure in the presidential election four years ago.

TULSA (Okla.), Dec. 15.—Oliver Marshback, who was shot by his brother Lee over a religious dispute at the latter's home near Catoosa, died here tonight. Lee Marshback is under arrest.

## CORBETT-BROCK DRAW.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—Young Corbett and Phil Brock fought ten rounds to a draw tonight.

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